UNITED STATES COURT OF APPEALS FOR THE THIRD CIRCUIT

No. 04-4188

RONALD M. GONDA, Appellant

v.

METROPOLITAN LIFE INSURANCE COMPANY; WILLIAM FREIDT, JR.

On Appeal from the United States District Court for the Western District of Pennsylvania (D.C. Civil No. 00-cv-02286) District Judge: The Honorable Donetta W. Ambrose

Submitted Under Third Circuit LAR 34.1(a) October 18, 2005

Before: SMITH, STAPLETON, and NYGAARD, Circuit Judges.

JUDGMENT

This cause came to be considered on the record from the United States District

Court for the Western District of Pennsylvania and was submitted pursuant to Third Circuit LAR 34.1(a) on October 18, 2005.

On consideration whereof, it is now here ORDERED AND ADJUDGED by this Court that the order of the said District Court entered on September 30, 2004, be, and the same is hereby, REVERSED and REMANDED to the District Court for further proceedings consistent with this opinion.

Costs taxed against appellees.

All of the above in accordance with the opinion of this Court.

ATTEST:

marie m. Walden

Clerk

Date: November 17, 2005

Costs taxed in favor of Appellant as follows:

Appellant's Brief.....\$182.80 Appendix.....\$205.05 Reply Brief......\$148.00 Docketing Fee.....\$255.00 TOTAL.....\$790.85

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Clerk, U.S. Court of Appeals for the Third Circuit.